

MR. HODGE LOST HIS COLD LUCRE

Knocked Down, Dragged Over
Palmetto Roots and Robbed

BY A FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD LAD

Was En Route From Newberry to Alachua and Got Into Trouble When He Stepped Into a Phosphate Pit to Light a Pipe—His Story.

It is certainly a hard proposition to be accosted in an isolated spot, at 11 o'clock in the morning, by a fourteen-year-old lad, knocked down, dragged over several palmetto roots and finally made to "cough up" every cent you can squeeze out of your clothes—but this thing has happened, and Hon. Chas. Hodge of Alachua, during the last campaign a candidate from Alachua county to the Lower House, and who made a most remarkable record by his wonderful campaign speeches, was the victim.

Another disgraceful and humiliating feature of this outrage was the fact that the boy was a negro, and had never received a formal introduction to Mr. Hodge, who would naturally have refused one had that formality been offered.

Mr. Hodge was a visitor to Gainesville Monday and relates his own experience, which cost him \$4.00 and a rubber stamp. He stated that he was en route from Newberry to Alachua, walking. The distance is only a before breakfast sprint for this athletic aspirant for political honor, being only twelve or fourteen miles. While about half-way between the places he stepped down into an unused phosphate pit to light his pipe, when he was suddenly accosted by this burly negro youth.

"Good morning; it's a nice day we are having," said Mr. Hodge, with a desire to be pleasant.

"Hello," was the response. "I'm a detective. Who are you?"

At this remark Mr. Hodge admitted that he "got scared," and his form trembled like a muscle dancer doing a turn in a half-busted street fair association.

"My name is Hodge—Charlie Hodge"—he remarked as politely as the condition of affairs would permit. "I'm from Alachua, and have been over to Newberry on a little court business."

"Well, I want your money or your life, and if you fool with me I'll take 'em both," was the startling assurance of the butt-headed boy, as Mr. Hodge declares he grabbed him in the collar, threw him violently to the ground, and, not content with that, dragged him in the collar, threw him over several palmetto roots, tearing his clothes almost beyond repair. This act being concluded he opened an ugly-looking knife and forced Mr. Hodge to produce his pocket book, containing \$4.00, and a rubber stamp, after which he left the form of Mr. Hodge lying upon the ground, cautioning him if he ever told he would send him to a worse place than the Legislature.

Mr. Hodge was perfectly earnest in relating the story of this incident, which he said occurred about 11 o'clock Saturday. "You know \$4.00 is a heap of money for a poor man to lose, especially in this way, and I don't appreciate it a bit," he concluded.

Mr. Hodge states that, notwithstanding he has resided in that section all his life, he did not recognize the party nor did he ever remember seeing him before. He has notified the officers of the incident, furnishing a description of the man.

Funeral of Mrs. Crown.

The funeral of Mrs. J. S. Crown, Sr., who died Friday night, was held from the residence of her son, J. S. Crown, Jr., Rocky Point, at 10:30 o'clock Monday morning, Rev. S. B. Rogers of the First Baptist Church, this city, officiating.

The service was attended by a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives, many of whom followed the remains to their last resting place in Evergreen cemetery.

Attention, K. of P.

The regular weekly meeting of Mount Vernon Lodge No. 20, Knights of Pythias, will be held at the castle hall this evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

There will be work in the Rank of Esquire. A full attendance is desired, and visiting brothers will receive a cordial welcome.

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AN OLD MEDICINE

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"Science conferred a great boon on humanity when two eminent French chemists discovered how to extract from the cod's liver all the curative elements contained in cod liver oil, but without a drop of oil or grease, and thus produce Vinol.

"It is no longer necessary to load the stomach with old-fashioned greasy cod liver oil or emulsions to obtain the curative properties of cod liver oil, for Vinol is like taking the kernel from the nut, the oil or the grease in which the curative elements were enveloped has been discarded, and we offer the people of Gainesville the concentrated essence of the medicine found in cod liver oil, without a drop of oil or grease to upset the stomach and retard its work.

"For centuries doctors and druggists alike have looked upon cod liver oil as the best tonic, strength-creator and body-builder in the world, but have acknowledged that its one great drawback was the grease which it contained. With this grease all eliminated, we offer the people of Gainesville in Vinol a perfect cod liver oil preparation as delicious to the taste as a fresh orange."

Mr. J. B. Kenner, Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, Atlanta, Ga., writes: "Vinol is the ideal preparation of cod liver oil; it purifies and enriches the blood, induces a good appetite, promotes digestion and invigorates every organ in the body."

"Therefore, in the strongest manner we endorse and guarantee Vinol to increase the appetite, cure stomach troubles, give strength to the run-down, tired and debilitated, invigorate and build up old people, make rich, red blood, cure chronic coughs, colds and bronchitis. If it fails, we return your money." W. M. Johnson, Druggist.

HOBO STEW.

A Culinary Triumph That Is Dear to the Tramp.

The professional hobo generally travels and operates alone, but if upon arriving at some large town or city he happens to meet other congenial members of his profession a pooling of interests is sometimes undertaken, a hobo camp set up, and the town is systematically worked. The spot or a camp usually chosen is in the outskirts on some wooded tract not too far from the railroad. Here the profits are divided and the different territories allotted. At nightfall all congregate to this point with the spoils and supplies, and over the "hobo stew" incidents of the day are discussed. "Hobo stew" is a triumph of culinary art that these gentry have a particular weakness for. A large iron pot is purchased, begged or stolen and half filled with water. Into this are thrown pieces of beef, pork, chicken (from some robbed hen-roost), bread, potatoes, carrots, onions and, in fact, everything edible that has been or can be secured. When the savory mess is sufficiently boiled it is eaten with much gusto by the tramp. These camps are never kept in existence long, however, because the hobo realizes that the danger of detection and a roundup is an ever present one when a large number remain long together in any one camp. Professional tramps, like the birds, have regular migratory seasons. From April to September this tide of immigration is toward the northern and eastern states and the region of the middle west. From November on through the winter, his peregrinations take him south, southwest and to the southern Pacific coast.—Pilgrim.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

10,000 Pounds of Meat Earned.

Columbus, Ga., Jan. 16.—News has been received here of the burning of a store house, with its contents, on the farm of Hon. B. S. Miller, at Zolfohen, Ga., near Buena Vista. Ten thousand pounds of meat and 10,000 gallons of syrup were destroyed. An insurance of \$500 was carried on the store house and contents.

FRUIT MYSTERIES.

The Banana Is Seedless, Though Nobody Knows Why.

The banana is seedless, or nearly so, and has been for centuries, though nobody knows why. It is propagated by suckers and possibly had no seeds when it was first found in its wild state. The banana is a modified berry. Cutting the fruit through the middle you will sometimes see a few little brown spots, which are the rudimentary seeds. Occasionally the banana does actually produce a few seeds.

The pineapple is seedless, being propagated likewise from suckers and from slips. The eggplant, which is a fruit, botanically speaking, is occasionally seedless. This plant is able to produce developed fruit whether the blossom is fertilized or not. Horticulturists are endeavoring at the same time to rid fruit plants of thorns. Some oranges and lemons are very thorny—for example, the high priced King orange, which is the best of the mandarins. The first trees were brought to the United States from Cochinchina. In Florida its thorniness has been reduced by selecting buds from the branches with the fewest thorns. Thorns are objectionable because they puncture the oranges and lemons when the branches are blown about by the wind. Efforts are being made to get rid of the thorns on raspberry and blackberry plants simply for convenience in picking the fruit. The thorns are meant by nature to protect the plant from animals. Cultivators select those plants which happen to be thornless or nearly so.

Laugh.

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. Learn how to tell a story. A well told story is as welcome as a sunbeam in a sickroom. Learn to keep your own troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows. Learn to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in the world keep the bad to yourself. Learn to hide your pains and aches under a pleasant smile. No one cares to hear whether you have the earache, headache or rheumatism. Don't cry. Tears do well enough in novels, but they are out of place in real life. Learn to meet your friends with a smile. The good humored man or woman is always welcome, but the dyspeptic or hypochondriac is not wanted anywhere and is a nuisance as well.

Gorgeous Japanese Robes.

In number the diaphanous robes worn by a Japanese woman of high rank of the eleventh or twelfth century were seldom less than twenty, while on great occasions even more might be necessary. Thus at a great palace fête it is said that "some wore as many as twenty-five suits, showing glimpses of purple, of crimson, of grass green, of wild rose yellow and of sapanwood brown, their sleeves and skirts decorated with golden designs, while others, by subtle commingling of willow sprays and cherry blossoms and by embroidered patterns picked out with gems, represented the poem of the jewels and the flowers."

A Grim Tragedy

Is daily enacted in thousands of homes, as death claims, in each one, another victim of consumption or pneumonia. But when coughs and colds are properly treated, the tragedy is averted. F. G. Huntley of Oakland, Ind., writes: "My wife had the consumption, three doctors gave her up. Finally she took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, coughs and colds, which cured her, and today she is well and strong." It kills the germs of all diseases. One nose relieves. Guaranteed at 50c and \$1.00 by all druggists. Trial bottles free.

The Saving Light.

We boast our light; but, if we look not wisely on the sun itself, it smites us into darkness. The light which we have gained was given us not to be ever staring on, but by it to discover onward things now remote from all knowledge.—Milton.

When a Kick Helps.

When one lacks the courage boldly to advance along the perilous course his intelligence counsels, he is lucky if he can and will goad some one into kicking him along it past the point where retreat is impossible.—Success.

Spoiled Her Beauty

Harriet Howard of 200 W. 35th St., New York, at one time had her beauty spoiled with skin trouble. She writes: "I had salt rheum, or eczema, for years, but nothing would cure it, until I used Bucklen's Arnica Salve." A quick and sure healer for cuts, burns and sores. Twenty-five cents at all druggists.

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It quickly removes that Bearing-down Feeling, extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, Dizziness, Faintness, sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues" and headache. These are sure indications of Female Weakness, or some derangement of the Uterus, which this medicine always cures. Kidney Complaints and Backache, of either sex, the Vegetable Compound always cures.

Those women who refuse to accept anything else are rewarded a hundred thousand times, for they get what they want—a cure. Sold by Druggists everywhere. Refuse all substitutes.

A Nest of Criminals.

A spot practically unknown to civilization on the shores of the Red sea at Midl is the home of pirates and slavers, a regular nest of criminals. The place is inhabited almost entirely by men, for the sheik who holds absolute control there allows only the best of his warriors to marry. It pays no tribute to the Turkish government, for it lies at the end of a long, narrow harbor inaccessible to vessels. It seems probable that it will continue its career unchecked.

Bought Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Sent it to Friends.

Mr. F. W. J. Fletcher, a druggist in Victoria, Australia, says: "A customer of mine was so pleased with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which she had used for her children when suffering from colds and croup, that during a fortnight's time she obtained at my shop, nine bottles, which she sent to her friends in different parts of the State, telling them how much good it had done and advised them to give it a trial." For sale by all druggists.

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Memorial for Baldwin.

New York, Jan. 16.—Business associates of William H. Baldwin, Jr., late president of the Long Island Railroad company, are reported to be considering the inauguration of a move to raise a \$500,000 fund as a memorial in his honor for the endowment of Tuskegee institute, in which Booker T. Washington is the president. Mr. Baldwin was deeply interested in the education of the negro and did much to help Washington in carrying on his school.

Burglars Enter Store.

Tifton, Ga., Jan. 16.—Burglars entered the store of Churchwell Bros., on Main street, last night. About \$300 worth of goods, chiefly ladies' skirts, clothing and hats, were obtained.

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During the performance Mr. Thompson will introduce 10 Comical Characters in 10 Special Acts.

Sixteen Songs will be sung that were written especially for the entertainment. Solos will be introduced on the following instruments: Violin, banjo, piano, clarinet, cow's horn, Lilliputian violin, Chinese Biddle, etc.

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